## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

IN RE: PFOHL BROTHERS LANDFILL LITIGATION	: MASTER FILE	
	: 95-CV-0020A	
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT:	· :	$\overline{\omega}$
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	:	Ā
Linda R. Kistka C.A. 96-CV-395	: :	**
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Linda R. Kistka, Executrix of the Estate of Nelson M. Hirsch, Deceased,	: : :	
Plaintiff (s),	; ;	
vs.	:	S 70
Westinghouse Electric Corporation, et al,	: PETITION FOR LEAVI : COMPROMISE CERT/	AIN CAUSES
Defendants.	: OF ACTION FOR WRO : DEATH AND SURVIV : OF THE DECEDENT	
	: CIVIL ACTION	I NO.

#### TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

Petitioner, Linda R. Kistka, in accordance with the provisions of EPTL § 5-4.6 and Rule 207.38 of the Uniform Rules for Surrogate's Court, respectfully shows and alleges:

- 1. Petitioner is the Executrix and surviving daughter of the above named decedent and presently resides at
- 2. The decedent died a resident of the Town of Amherst, of Erie County, New York on November 17, 1993; and had resided at until his death. (See

Exhibit "A")

- On January 28, 1994, Letters Testamentary were issued to Petitioner by the Surrogate's Court, Eric County, New York. To date, said letters have not been revoked and are presently in full force and effect. No bond was required of your Executrix to cover any probable amount to be realized from said action. (See Exhibit "B").
- 4. The decedent was a man residing near the Pfohl Brothers landfill during which time Petitioner alleges that decedent was exposed to toxic chemicals and substances released from the Pfohl Brothers landfill through migration via the air and water.
  - 5. The decedent, at the time of his death, was 73 years of age, having been born on
- 6. Petitioner alleges that the injuries that resulted in the decedent's death were sustained over a period of years as a result of decedent's exposure to toxic chemicals and substances. In or about 1993, the decedent was diagnosed with colon cancer and succumbed to the disease on November 17, 1993.
- 7. On June 17, 1996, an action for pain and suffering and wrongful death was commenced in the United States District Court Western District of New York, against numerous transporters, releasers and disposers of hazardous substances into the Pfohl Brothers landfill, such action herein referred to as the "Lawsuit". Thereafter, negotiations were entered into with the representatives of various defendants. A combined settlement from defendants American Standard, Inc., Browning-Ferris Industries of New York, Inc., Browning-Ferris Industries, Inc., Allied Waste North America, Inc., Allied Waste Industries, Inc., Unifrax Corporation, The Carborundum Company, Curtiss Wright Corporation, DII Industries, LLC, successor to Dresser Industries, Inc., E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company, Ford Motor Company, General Motors Corporation, Allied Waste Systems, Inc., Laidlaw Waste Systems, Inc., GSX Polymers, Inc., Litton Systems, Inc. (sometimes erroneously sued as Litton Industries, Inc.), New York

State Electric & Gas Corporation, Occidental Chemical Corporation, Trico Products Corporation, Warner-Lambert Company LLC sued as Warner-Lambert Company, Waste Management of New York LLC, Waste Management of New Jersey, Inc., Howden Fan Company, f/k/a Buffalo Forge Company, Inc., Exxon Mobil Oil Corporation, Goldman Titanium, Inc., formerly known as GCF, Inc., Chapin & Fagin Division, Viacom Inc. (successor to CBS Corporation f/k/a Westinghouse Electric Corporation), Burt Rigid Box, Inc. and Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation in the Lawsuit has been negotiated, totaling \$110,055.65 gross.

- Petitioner believes that it is in the best interest of the estate of the decedent and those interested therein to accept the settlements so offered and that this is the largest amount that can be obtained, from the above listed defendants, without further litigation and expense. The grounds of Petitioner's belief are based on the reasons stated in the affidavit dated Novaber 6, 2006 of Laura Baughman, Esq. and submitted herewith.
  - 9. The decedent, at the time of death, left the following survivors:

Name	Relationship	Date of Birth	Present Age
Linda R. Kistka	Daughter/Petitioner		58
Penny E. Burkhardt	Daughter		61
Jay Hirsch	Son		47
David Hirsch	Son		65
Diane Leising	Daughter		50
Michael Hirsch	Son		deceased
Mickey Hunt	Daughter		deceased

The decedent had no children born out of wedlock.

On or about February 10, 1995, the Petitioner retained the law firms of Lipsitz, Green, Fahringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria LLP and Baron & Budd, P.C. (the "attorneys") to commence and prosecute claims for decedent's pain and suffering and wrongful death sustained by virtue of decedent's

exposure to toxic chemicals and substances. (See Exhibit "C").

- 11. Following the negotiations and resultant settlement offers enumerated above, applications were presented before this court to whom the underlying wrongful death and pain and suffering action is assigned, for approval of the adequacy of the settlements, attendant costs and disbursements and attorney fees emanating therefrom. This Court's Order dated December 8, 2004 approving the adequacy of the settlements and award of reimbursement of expenses and attorney fees, in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, is annexed as Exhibit "D."
- Petitioner has been advised that the proceeds of an action for wrongful death are allocated according to the pecuniary loss sustained by the decedent's distributees.
- 13. At the time of death, the decedent was 73 years of age and had a life expectancy of 10.4 years, based on the table of vital statistics. (See Exhibit "E")
- 14. Petitioner, as Executrix, makes a claim for statutory commissions pursuant to § 2307 SCPA and EPTL §5-4.4(b) in the amount of \$2,846.69 and requests the waiver of the filing of a surety bond.
- 15. Petitioner has paid decedent's funeral bill. No reimbursement is sought. There are no medical bills or hospital bills outstanding and there are no assignments, compensation claims or liens filed with Petitioner as Executrix. To date, no workers' compensation benefits have been paid to the estate of Nelson M. Hirsch or the Petitioner.
- 16. Petitioner has been advised that the proceeds of the conscious pain and suffering action which are part of the Lawsuit pass through the decedent's estate in accordance with the Last Will and Testament of Nelson M. Hirsch (See Exhibit "F") and the laws of the State of New York.
- 17. The decedent's children and grandchild, to wit, Penny E. Burkhardt, Jay Hirsch, David Hirsch, Diane Leising, and Cindy Gilbert, daughter of deceased child Mickey J. Hunt and the New York

State Department of Finance and Taxation have executed Waiver and Consents to the proposed settlement and distribution. (See Exhibit "G")

- 18. No previous application has been made for the relief sought herein.
- 19. Petitioner desires leave of this Court to discontinue the action for conscious pain and suffering and allocate 100% to the cause of action for wrongful death and to pay the net settlement as follows:

100% divided equally between the children of Nelson M. Hirsch:

Linda R. Kistka
Penny E. Burkhardt
Jay Hirsch
David Hirsch
Diane Leising
Estate of Michael Hirsch
Estate of Mickey J. Hunt

20. The only persons interested in this proceeding entitled to notice thereof are the following:

<u>Name</u>	Relationship	Address
Linda R. Kistka	Daughter/Petitioner (/Voluntary Administrator for Estate of Michael Hirsch	
Penny E. Burkhardt	Daughter	
Jay Hirsch	Son	
David Hirsch	Son	
Diane Leising	Daughter	

Cindy Gilbert

Daughter and Voluntary Administrator for

Estate of Mickey J.

Hunt

N.Y.S. Tax Commission

Possible Creditor

N.Y.S. Dept. of Taxation & Finance W.A. Harriman Campus

Albany, N.Y. 12227

All of the above persons are of sound mind, are of full age, and are citizens of the United States, and none are under a disability.

- Petitioner has not become interested in the within matter at the instance of the defendants 21 or anyone acting on behalf of the defendants, directly or indirectly.
- Based on the interval between the onset of decedent's exposure to toxic substances and 22. the decedent's death, the life expectancy of the decedent, and on all the facts and circumstances previously considered by this Court, Petitioner proposes to apportion the net settlement proceeds available for distribution as follows:

100% Wrongful Death

Petitioner proposes distribution of the net settlement proceeds of \$54,087.12 as follows: 23.

Name of Recipient	Amount	Relating to
To the Children, in equal shares of Mr. Nelson M. Hirsch	100% of \$ 54,087.12 or \$ 54,087.12	Pecuniary loss by Linda R. Kistka Penny E. Burkhardt Jay Hirsch David Hirsch Diane Leising Estate of Michael Hirsch Estate of Mickey J. Hunt

WHEREFORE, your Petitioner prays for a Decree authorizing her as Executrix of the Estate of Nelson M. Hirsch,

- A. To pay the children of Nelson M. Hirsch as and for their share of the net settlement proceeds of the Lawsuit for the wrongful death of Nelson M. Hirsch, the sum of \$54,087.12 divided equally between them.
- B. To dispense with the filing of a bond;
- C. To lift the restrictions in the Letters Testamentary (if any) and modify Letters to be full and complete to permit said compromise.
- D. Any other further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Dated: July 7, 2006

Linda R. Kistka

STATE OF New York) SS

Linda R. Kistka, being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is the petitioner in the within action, that she has read the foregoing petition and knows the contents thereof that the same is true of her own knowledge, except as to those matters therein stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and as to those matters she believes them to be true.

Sworn to before me this

day of July, 2006

LINDA KENSINGER
7- Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Erie County
My Commission Expires 3 9 10

Notary Public

Laura Baughman

Baron & Budd, P.C.

3102 Oak Lawn Ave. Ste. 1100

Dallas, TX 75219-4281

214-521-3605

And

Robert Boreanaz Laraine Kelley George Riedel Lipsitz, Green, Fahringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria LLP 42 Delaware Ave. Suite 300 Buffalo, NY 14202-3857

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VS.	: TO COMPROMISE CERTAIN : CAUSES OF ACTION FOR
Westinghouse Electric Corporation., et al,	: WRONGFUL DEATH AND SURVIVAL CLAIMS OF THE
Defendants.	: DECEDENT
	CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-CV-395

#### TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

Laura Baughman, an attorney duly admitted to practice law before the Courts of the State of New York, affirms the following under the penalties of perjury:

- 1. I am associated with the firm of Baron & Budd, P.C., attorneys for the Petitioner herein, and as such, am fully familiar with the facts and circumstances of the within petition.
  - 2. This affirmation is made in support of the application of Petitioner, Linda Kistka, as Executrix

of the Estate of Nelson M. Hirsch, seeking leave to compromise certain causes of action herein and to apportion and disburse said settlements.

- 3. The Petitioner, Linda Kistka, retained the law firm of Lipsitz, Green, Fahringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria LLP and Baron & Budd, P.C. on February 10, 1995 to commence and prosecute any causes of action for injuries and damages caused by decedent's exposure to toxic chemicals and substances.
- 4. After being retained, a thorough and comprehensive examination into the facts and circumstances surrounding the decedent's personal injuries and subsequent death was conducted by this office, including obtaining and analyzing hospital records, medical records; establishing exposure to toxic chemicals and substances; and developing decedent's income potential and family background.
- 5. On June 17, 1996 an action for pain and suffering and wrongful death was commenced in the United States District Court Western District of New York, against numerous companies alleged to be responsible for transportation, release and disposal of hazardous substances onto the Pfohl Brothers landfill. Prior to the commencement of the suit, the decedent succumbed to colon cancer on November 17, 1993.
- Letters Testamentary were granted to the decedent's daughter, Linda Kistka, on January 28,
   1994 by the Erie County Surrogate's Court.
- 7. After intensive discovery and during pre-trial negotiations, Petitioner was offered settlements by: American Standard, Inc., Browning-Ferris Industries of New York, Inc., Browning-Ferris Industries, Inc., Allied Waste North America, Inc., Allied Waste Industries, Inc., Unifrax Corporation, The Carborundum Company, Curtiss Wright Corporation, DII Industries, LLC, successor to Dresser Industries, Inc., E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company, Ford Motor Company, General Motors Corporation, Allied Waste Systems, Inc., Laidlaw Waste Systems, Inc., GSX Polymers, Inc., Litton Systems, Inc. (sometimes erroneously sued as Litton Industries, Inc.), New York State Electric & Gas Corporation, Occidental

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- 8. In addition to the complexities and risks inherent in taking any case to trial, certain factors unique to this complex, multi-party toxic tort case weigh heavily in favor of this settlement.
- 9. An attorney from Baron & Budd has conferred with Petitioner concerning the total gross settlement offers obtained and the justification for accepting these offers and the Petitioner has indicated that the amounts offered are satisfactory to her.
  - 10. Upon information and belief, the funeral, hospital and medical bills have been paid and none

are left outstanding.

- 11. Following the negotiations and resultant settlement offers enumerated above, applications were presented before this Court to whom the underlying wrongful death and pain and suffering action is assigned, for approval of the adequacy of the settlements, attendant costs and disbursements and attorney fees emanating therefrom. This Court's Order dated December 8, 2004 approving the adequacy of the settlements, award of reimbursement of expenses, and attorney fees, in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, is annexed as Exhibit "D."
- 12. This law firm will prepare all papers necessary to accomplish said settlement and obtain approval of this Court and do whatever is necessary on behalf of the Estate and next of kin.
- 13. This law firm has not become concerned in this action at the request of the defendants or their attorneys or representatives. Any compensation to be received by way of fees herein is to be paid out of the proceeds of the settlement and not otherwise. Baron & Budd and/or co-counsel Lipsitz. Green. Fahringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria LLP have a written retainer with the decedent herein providing a fee of 33 1/3% of the net recovery, which your deponent submits is fair and reasonable in light of all the facts and circumstances.
- 14. No additional fees will be charged to the Estate in connection with legal services performed by Baron & Budd, P.C. and Lipsitz, Green, Fahringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria LLP, for services unrelated to the toxic tort lawsuit.
- 15. This office has conducted a search of the Office of the Surrogate's Court in Erie County, where the decedent resided at the time of his death and where the Estate has been probated and upon such investigation, no judgment or lien has been filed against the Estate.
- 16. Further investigation with the Estate's Probate counsel reveals no current or known contest of the appointment of the Executrix and Waiver and Consents have been executed by all known surviving

immediate next of kin.

17. Upon information and belief, no parties interested in the proceedings are recipients of welfare

benefits from the Department of Social Services and no liens to said Department are presently due and

owing.

18. In light of the above, your Affirmant previously requested of this court, approval of the

sum of \$28,466.91 for attorney fees (which this office believes constitutes a fair and reasonable sum

for services rendered in connection with this matter relating to the settlement indicated above)

together with approval of the disbursements for costs expended during the course of litigation

totaling \$24,654.93. The foregoing were approved by the Order of this Court on December 8, 2004

(Previously annexed as Exhibit "D").

19. It is therefore respectfully requested that Your Honor grant leave to apportion and

disburse the settlement proceeds as enumerated above.

20. No previous application for the relief requested herein has been made to any court or judge.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that an Order be issued from this Court affirming

the allocation and distribution of the within settlement together with such other relief that this Court

deems proper.

Dated: Dallas TX

Baron & Budd P.C.

3102 Oak Lawn Ave. Suite 1100

Dallas, TX 75219-4281

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## Exhibit A

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Exhibit B

#### Certificate of Appointment

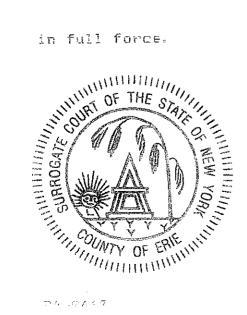
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To all to whom these presents shall come or may concern, Send Greetings:

This is to Certify, That after having examined the records and files of the Surrogate's Court of the County of Erie, State of New York, now remaining in the Surrogate's office of said County of Erie; I find that on January 28, 1994, LETTERS TESTAMENTARY of the Last Will and Testament of:

MELSON M. HIRSCH

late of the VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE in said County of Erie, deceased, were duly granted by the said Court to: LINDA R. KISTKA EXECUTOR(s) in said Will named and that said letters are still valid and



IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, We have caused the seal of our Surrogate's Court to be hereunto affixed at the City of Buffalo, in said County of Erie, on March 27, 1997

# Exhibit C

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	RETAINER STATEMENT	
TO TI	HE OFFICE OF COURT ADMINISTRATION  OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  Post Office Box 2016  New York, N.Y. 10008	For office use:
1. 1	Date of agreement as to retainer:	,
	February 10, 1995	_
2.	Date of occurrence of injury:	(6.5.7)
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3.	Term of compensation:	
	1/3 percent contingency	
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5.	Name and home address of client:	
	Nelson Hirsch	<del></del>
6.	Name and office address of attorney:	
	Michael A. Ponterio, Esq. LIPSITZ, GREEN, FAHRINGER, ROLL, SALISBUR 42 Delaware Avenue, Suite 300 Buffalo, NY 14202-3901 (716) 849-1333	Y & CAMBRIA
7.	This action or claim is for:	
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## **Exhibit D**

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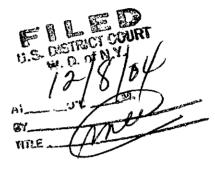
Plaintiff (s),

VS.

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Defendants.

MASTER FILE 95-CV-0020A



ORDER OF ADEQUACY
OF SETTLEMENT
AND COMPROMISE

CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-CV-395

The Plaintiff herein, Linda Kistka, as Executrix of the Estate of Nelson M. Hirsch, Deceased, by and through her attorney of record, having requested this Court to approve the adequacy of the settlement for all claims asserted by Plaintiff, including the causes of action for the wrongful death and pain and suffering of the Decedent, in the gross amount of \$110,055.65 by Defendants American Standard, Inc., Browning-Ferris Industries of New York, Inc., Browning-Ferris Industries, Inc.,

Allied Waste North America, Inc., Allied Waste Industries, Inc., Unifrax Corporation, The Carborundum Company, Curtiss Wright Corporation, DII Industries, LLC, successor to Dresser Industries, Inc., E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company, Ford Motor Company, General Motors Corporation, Allied Waste Systems, Inc., Laidlaw Waste Systems, Inc., GSX Polymers, Inc., Litton Systems, Inc. (sometimes erroneously sued as Litton Industries, Inc.), New York State Electric & Gas Corporation, Occidental Chemical Corporation, Trico Products Corporation, Warner-Lambert Company LLC sued as Warner-Lambert Company, Waste Management of New York LLC, Waste Management of New Jersey, Inc., Howden Fan Company, f/k/a Buffalo Forge Company, Inc., ExxonMobil Oil Corporation, Goldman Titanium, Inc., formerly known as GCF, Inc., Chapin & Fagin Division, Viacom Inc. (successor to CBS Corporation f/k/a Westinghouse Electric Corporation), Burt Rigid Box, Inc., and Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation and to discontinue all such claims against aforesaid companies only, and, it appearing that such settlement, compromise and discontinuance is in the best interests of the Estate and its distributees;

Plaintiff requests that the Court approve a legal fee and reimbursement of case expenses to the attorneys as follows: Plaintiff's share of the attorneys' disbursements in the sum of \$24,654.93 first be deducted from the gross settlement of \$110,055.65, leaving a balance of \$85,400.72; a fee of 33-1/3%, or \$28,466.91 be allowed for the settlements from the aforementioned defendants, which would amount to fees and reimbursements to the attorneys totaling \$53,121.84. Consequently, the net settlement proceeds available for distribution hereunder totals \$56,933.81. It is,

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Plaintiff Linda Kistka, as Executrix of the Estate of Nelson M. Hirsch, Deceased, is authorized and empowered to compromise, settle and discontinue the action against Defendants American Standard, Inc., Browning-Ferris Industries of New York, Inc., Browning-Ferris Industries, Inc., Allied Waste North America, Inc., Allied Waste

Industries, Inc., Unifrax Corporation, The Carborundum Company, Curtiss Wright Corporation, DII Industries, ILC, successor to Dresser Industries, Inc., E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company, Ford Motor Company, General Motors Corporation, Allied Waste Systems, Inc., Laidlaw Waste Systems, Inc., GSX Polymers, Inc., Litton Systems, Inc. (sometimes erroneously sued as Litton Industries, Inc.), New York State Electric & Gas Corporation, Occidental Chemical Corporation, Trico Products Corporation, Warner-Lambert Company LLC sued as Warner-Lambert Company, Waste Management of New York LLC, Waste Management of New Jersey, Inc., Howden Fan Company, f/k/a Buffalo Forge Company, Inc., ExxonMobil Oil Corporation, Goldman Titanium, Inc., formerly known as GCF, Inc., Chapin & Fagin Division, Viacom Inc. (successor to CBS Corporation f/k/a Westinghouse Electric Corporation), Burt Rigid Box, Inc., and Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation for the gross settlement amount of \$110,055.65. It is further,

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that such sum is authorized to be paid to Linda Kistka, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Nelson M. Hirsch, and Attorney of Record, Baron & Budd, P.C. and it is directed that the proposed net settlement proceeds as indicated above, be held in an interest-bearing escrow account for the benefit of the Plaintiff, pending this Court's approval as to allocation and distribution of plaintiff's proposed net settlement proceeds.

DATED: Dec 8, LOOY

SO ORDERED:

HON, LESLIE G. FOSCHIO

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE

WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

Exhibit E

PATTERN JURY INSTRUCTIONS

### A. LIFE EXPECTANCY TABLES

The source of this information is National Center for Health Statistics. Vital Statistics of the United States, 1989, vol II sec 6 Life Tables. Washington: Public Health Service, 1992.

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Exhibit F

#### LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

OF

#### NELSON M. HIRSCH

I, NELSON M. HIRSCH, presently residing at Williamsville, New York, being of sound mind, declare this to be my Last Will and Testament. I revoke all wills and codicils previously made by me.

### ARTICLE I

section 1. My children are DAVID HIRSCH, PENNY BURKHARDT, LINDA KISTKA, MICKEY HUNT, MICHAEL HIRSCH, DIANE LEISING and JAY HIRSCH.

spouse had a child named SUSAN TAYLOR. I deliberately make no provision in my will for her or her descendants for reasons personal to me.

#### ARTICLE II DEFINITIONS

Section 1. The terms "my child," "my children," "child of mine," or "children of mine" shall mean only those persons set forth above in Section 1 of Article I.

## ARTICLE III APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR

Section 1. Whenever the word "Executor" is used in my will,

such word shall be held and taken to include both the singular and plural, and masculine and feminine gender thereof.

Section 2. I appoint LINDA KISTKA as my Executor to administer this will. In the event that she is unwilling or unable to act, then I appoint DIANE LEISING as Alternate Executor. To the extent permitted by law, the above named persons shall serve without bond.

### ARTICLE IV EXPENSES AND DEATH TAXES

I direct my Executor to pay out of my residuary estate the following:

**Section 1.** The expenses of my last illness, administration expenses, and all legally enforceable creditor claims.

Section 2. All Federal estate taxes, state inheritance taxes and all other governmental charges imposed by reason of my death, without seeking reimbursement from or charging any person for any part of the taxes and charges paid.

Section 3. If necessary, reasonable funeral expenses, including the cost, if any, of a suitable marker for my grave, without the necessity of an order of court approving the funeral expense.

### ARTICLE V

I give the residue of my estate, whether real, personal or

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mixed, in equal shares to my children, by right of representation.

#### ARTICLE VI DIVISION OF PROPERTY

If two or more beneficiaries are entitled to an equal share or percentage of property distributed by the terms of my will then I direct them to divide the property among themselves as they may agree. I request that they honor any intentions with regard to the distribution of this property that I may have expressed prior to my death. If a substantially equal division of this property cannot be agreed upon within a reasonable time after my death, then I direct my Executor to divide the property and distribute it in substantially equal shares, or sell the property and distribute the proceeds in equal shares. The determination of what constitutes a reasonable time within the meaning of this Article, and the decision whether or not to sell any property, shall be at the discretion of my Executor.

#### ARTICLE VII SURVIVORSHIP REQUIREMENT

Unless otherwise specifically provided, a beneficiary of my will who fails to survive me by thirty (30) days shall be deemed to have predeceased me and shall not share in my estate. The share of such beneficiary shall be distributed as directed by the provisions stated in my will.

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### ARTICLE VIII POWERS AND DUTIES OF MY EXECUTOR

My Executor is authorized to perform any act which the applicable laws of the State of New York authorize an Executor or fiduciary to perform.

I sign my will this 3rd day of August, 1993.

Milson M. Hirsch

#### STATEMENT OF WITNESSES

Each of the undersigned declares under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New York on this 3rd day of agent, 1993, that the following is true and correct.

section 1. I am over the age of eighteen years and competent to be a witness to the will of NELSON M. HIRSCH.

section 2. That NELSON M. HIRSCH, in my presence and in the presence of the other witness whose signature appears below:

- A. Declared the foregoing instrument to be his will;
- B. Requested me and the other witness to act as witnesses to his will and to make this statement; and
  - C. Signed such instrument.

Section 3. I believe NELSON M. HIRSCH is of sound mind, and that he has not acted under any duress, menace, fraud or undue

influence.

Section 4. The other witness and I, in the presence of the Testator and of each other, now sign as witnesses to this will.

-c/o UAW Legal Services Plan 4285 Genesee Street, Suite 3 Cheektowaga, New York 14225

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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In the Matter of the Application of Linda R. Kistka As Legal Representative of the Estate of Nelson M. Hirsch, Deceased.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-CV-395 WAIVER & CONSENT

For Leave to Compromise Certain Causes of Action for
Wrongful Death and Conscious Pain and Suffering and
to Apportion, Receive and Distribute the Proceeds Thereof.
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The undersigned, Cindy Gilbert, being over the age of 21 years, having been born on and residing at the state of Mickey J. Hunt, deceased daughter of decedent, hereby appears and waives the hearing under E.P.T.L 5-4.4 and the issuance and service of a citation in the above proceedings and consents to the following relief as requested in the Petition herein, a copy of which has been received by me:

THAT one hundred percent (100%) or \$110,055.65 of the gross settlement proceeds be allocated to the cause of action for wrongful death; and

THAT the filing of a bond should be dispensed with, and that pursuant to the Order of Adequacy of Settlement and Compromise signed by this court on December 8, 2004, Baron & Budd, P.C. and Lipsitz, Green, Fahringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria LLP have been paid out of the proceeds of the settlement for the claims for wrongful death; the sum of \$24,654.93 as and for disbursements; and the sum of \$28,466.91as and for attorney's fees; and

THAT pursuant to § 2307 SCPA and EPTL §5-4.4(b), said Petitioner makes a claim for statutory commissions in the amount of \$2,846.69 and requests the waiver of the filing of a surety bond, and

THAT the balance of the proceeds of the wrongful death settlement, to wit the sum of \$54,087.12, should be distributed equally to those having sustained a pecuniary loss as follows:

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THAT, the said Linda R. Kistka should be permitted to execute and deliver general releases and all other necessary papers to the defendants, or their representative, releasing them from all claims arising out of the aforesaid action for wrongful death and conscious pain and suffering, together with any other papers necessary to effectuate the said compromise.

DATED: 10/19/06

Cindy Gilbert, Voluntary Administrator
Of the Estate of Mickey J. Hunt

STATE OF Flor(DA) COUNTY OF Highlands) ss:

On the 19th day of 00th, 2006, before me personally came Cindy Gilbert, known to me to be the person who is described herein and who executed the foregoing instrument and she duly acknowledged that she executed same.

Louise M. Pytolie Notary Public

CONNIE M. RITCHIE

Notary Public - State of Florida

My Commission Expires Mar 12, 2008

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### SURROGATE'S COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK **ERIE COUNTY**

2006-1541 File#:

## CERTIFICATE OF VOLUNTARY ADMINISTRATION

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that an affidavit for Voluntary Administration of the estate of the decedent named below was filed with the court and the Voluntary Administrator named below has been found qualified and is authorized to act as follows:

Name of Decedent:

Mickey Jean Hunt

Date of Death:

**SEPTEMBER 02, 1998** 

Domicile of Decedent:

**Erie County** 

Voluntary Administrator: Cindy L Gilbert

Mailing Address:

(863)382-8142

The Voluntary Administrator is only authorized to collect and receive the following personal property of the decedent:

PORTION OF PERSONAL INJURY LAWSUIT OF NELSON MICHAEL HIRSCH OWED TO DECEDENT

\$7,726.73

FILED IN US DISTRICT COURT FOR WNY - FILE # 95-CV-0020A

Date Affidavit Filed:

April 03, 2006

Date Certificate Issued:

April 24, 2006

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Erie Surrogate's Court at Buffalo, New York.

WITNESS, Hon.Barbara Howe, Judge of the Erie Surrogate's Court.

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Mary Dee Martoche, Chief Clerk Erie Surrogate's Court

This certificate is Not Valid Without the Raised Seal of the Erie Surrogate's Court

Clerk of the Surrogate's Court

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> CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-CV-395 WAIVER & CONSENT

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The undersigned, Linda Kistka, being over the age of 21 years, having been born on being a person interested as a and residing at Voluntary Administrator of the Estate of Michael Hirsch, deceased son of decedent, hereby appears and waives the hearing under EPTL 5-4.4 and the issuance and service of a citation in the above proceedings and consents to the following relief as requested in the Petition herein, a copy of which has been received by me:

THAT one hundred percent (100%) or \$110,055.65 of the gross settlement proceeds be allocated to the cause of action for wrongful death; and

THAT the filing of a bond should be dispensed with, and that pursuant to the Order of Adequacy of Settlement and Compromise signed by this court on December 8, 2004, Baron & Budd, P.C. and Lipsitz, Green, Fahringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria LLP have been paid out of the proceeds of the settlement for the claims for wrongful death; the sum of \$24,654.93 as and for disbursements; and the sum of \$28,466.91as and for attorney's fees; and

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DATED: 7704

Of the Estate of Michael Hirsch

STATE OF NEW YORK )
COUNTY OF () ss:

On the \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2006, before me personally came Linda Kistka, known to me to be the person who is described herein and who executed the foregoing instrument and she duly acknowledged that she executed same.

LINDA KENSINGER Notary Fublic, State of New York Qualified in Erie County My Commission Expires 29/0

### SURROGATE'S COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK **ERIE COUNTY**

File#:

2006-1528

### CERTIFICATE OF VOLUNTARY ADMINISTRATION

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Name of Decedent:

Michael Nelson Hirsch

Date of Death:

**JANUARY 09, 1996** 

Domicile of Decedent:

**Erie County** 

Voluntary Administrator: Linda R Kistka

Mailing Address:

(716)634-2482

The Voluntary Administrator is only authorized to collect and receive the following personal property of the decedent:

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\$7,726.73

FILED IN US DISTRICT COURT FOR WNY - FILE # 95-CV-0020A

Date Affidavit Filed:

April 24, 2006

Date Certificate Issued:

April 24, 2006

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Erie Surrogate's Court at Buffalo, New York.

WITNESS, Hon. Barbara Howe, Judge of the Erie Surrogate's Court.

> Mary Dee Martoche, Chief Clerk Erie Surrogate's Court

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Clerk of the Surrogate's Court

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January 11, 1996

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DATED: 8/28/06

David Hirsch

STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF EPIE

On the 28 day of August, 2006, before me personally came David Hirsch, known to me to be the person who is described herein and who executed the foregoing instrument and he duly acknowledged that he executed same.

GARY M. SCHAFF

Notary Public, State of New York

Qualified in Erie County

My Commission Expires Feb. 28, 20 0 7

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THAT pursuant to § 2307 SCPA and EPTL §5-4.4(b), said Petitioner makes a claim for statutory commissions in the amount of \$2,846.69 and requests the waiver of the filing of a surety bond, and

THAT the balance of the proceeds of the wrongful death settlement, to wit the sum of \$54,087.12, should be distributed equally to those having sustained a pecuniary loss as follows:

Linda R. Kistka Jay Hirsch

David Hirsch

Diane Leising

Estate of Mickey J. Hunt

Penny E. Burkhardt

Estate of Michael Hirsch

THAT, the said Linda R. Kistka should be permitted to execute and deliver general releases and all other necessary papers to the defendants, or their representative, releasing them from all claims arising out of the aforesaid action for wrongful death and conscious pain and suffering, together with any other papers necessary to effectuate the said compromise.

DATED: 9-6-06

STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ERIE ) ss:

On the 6 day of Saptamban 2006, before me personally came Jay Hirsch, known to me to be the person who is described herein and who executed the foregoing instrument and he duly acknowledged that he executed same.

GARY M. SCHAFF
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Erie County
My Commission Expires Feb. 28, 20\_0

### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In the Matter of the Application of Linda R. Kistka As Legal Representative of the Estate of Nelson M. Hirsch, Deceased,

> CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-CV-395 **WAIVER & CONSENT**

For Leave to Compromise Certain Causes of Action for
Wrongful Death and Conscious Pain and Suffering and
to Apportion, Receive and Distribute the Proceeds Thereof.
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The undersigned, Penny E. Burkhardt, being over the age of 21 years, having been born on being a person interested as a and residing at 3 daughter of the decedent, hereby appears and waives the hearing under E.P.T.L 5-4.4 and the issuance and service of a citation in the above proceedings and consents to the following relief as requested in the Petition herein, a copy of which has been received by me:

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David Hirsch

Diane Leising

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DATED: 3/23/06

Jenny Beerkkaul

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF ERIE

) ss:

On the 23 RD day of AUGST, 2006, before me personally came Penny Burkhardt, known to me to be the person who is described herein and who executed the foregoing instrument and she duly acknowledged that she executed same.

Notary Public

JOHN M. THURSTON, II

Notary Public, State of New York

Qualified in Niugara County

My Commission Expires 43406

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DATED: 5-29-06

Diane Leising

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF EME

On the Add day of August, 2006, before me personally came Diane Leising, known to me to be the person who is described herein and who executed the foregoing instrument and she duly

acknowledged that she executed same.

) ss:

Notary Public

JACKIE MOTZ Reg. No. 01M06075538 Notary Public, State of New York Qualified in Geneses County

Qualities in Commission Expires (0.00)

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In the Matter of the Application for WRONGFUL DEATH in the Estate of HIRSCH, NELSON M.

Deceased.

WAIVER OF CITATION AND CONSENT

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#### TO THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT:

The New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, by Salvatore J. Rico, District Tax Attorney, on behalf of the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, disagrees with the allocation of the settlement proceeds made by the decedent's representative in the wrongful death action.

HOWEVER, as the estate of the decedent will not be taxable for estate tax purposes even if all of the settlement proceeds were to be allocated to the pain and suffering of the decedent, the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance hereby waives the issuance and service of a citation in the above captioned proceeding and consents to the proceeding thereto.

Dated: Albany, New York

New York State Department of

Taxation and Finance Office of Counsel

BY:

Salvatore J. Rico,
District Tax Attorney

N.Y.S. Department of Taxation and Finance

TTTB-Estate Tax Audit W.A. Harriman Campus

Albany, NY 12227

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF NEW YORK

)ss:

COUNTY OF ALBANY

On the 30 day of Sept., 2005 before me personally came Salvatore J. Rico, District Tax Attorney, to me known and known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

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Notice Public, Speed of New York No. 453366 Quantied in Managemary County Cardificate Filad in Amery County Ny Commission Empires August 31, 20 Direct all correspondence and any inquiries regarding your estate to:

Diana Eckler, NYS Department of Taxation & Finance TTTB - Estate Tax Audit - Waiver of Citation Unit W.A. Harriman Campus

Albany, NY 12227

Hours 7:00a.m.-3:00p.m.Tel.(518)457-6598,Fax(518)457-6204